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Executive Secretary

History Staff Bi-Weekly

The memo covering arrangements for the transfer of the OSS documents to the National Archives has been signed by Harry Fitzwater. The way now appears clear for opening the first group of documents to the public on 11 June. OLL has drafted a letter to Senator Durenberg for the DCI's signature. It reports the transfer and opening of the first batch of OSS documents and asks for help on the FOIA relief bill.

Ken talked on the telephone with author Anthony Cave Brown about some OSS microfilms in Cave Brown's possession. Ken wants to see if it is the same as our microfilm.

[] of the IG Staff borrowed and returned four volumes of the Office of Communications history. STAT

[] came to see Ken about historical material on OSS paramilitary operations. He gave her some bibliography. STAT

[] has taken care of some newly received requests from the Executive Director. The histories of recruitment and of the JOT program have been sent to him, together with a list of our available histories in the fields of personnel and recruitment. A one-page memo has been prepared on the background of the Sprague Committee and a double check is being made for any histories dealing with relations with Congress. STAT

Ken will be reviewing our materials involved in [] FOIA request for his own memos and correspondence. Meanwhile, an FOIA request has come in to IPD from Professor Tom Patterson for, among other documents, [] Bay of Pigs history. STAT

Ken will be preparing a contract for Walt Elder to write the history of the McCone period.

Don and Bob both attended the 2-day half-time DDS&T Orientation course. Bob also attended the Just Plain English seminar, and [] is making up today the part of the Effective Employee course she missed earlier. STAT

Bob has conducted interviews with Richard Helms and David Murphy and has been in contact with []. He also attended a talk by Eleanor Dulles at the Woodrow Wilson Center, at which he also conversed with Helms. Bob is still pursuing the possibility of requesting the assassination committee documents held by the Clerk of the House of Representatives. STAT

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Bob responded to a telephone request from Ron Engert of the Army's Center for Military History about dates for OSS, SSU, CIG, etc. [redacted] talked with a [redacted] also from CMS, who apparently was updating a directory of government history resources. She gave him no new information beyond what he already had -- the name of our staff, its chief, and its telephone number.

Don has spent some additional time at DDS&T going through the documents they acquired from [redacted]

[redacted] will be on annual leave from 15-22; Ken will be on leave from 2-13 July.

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